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REMARKS

The Applicants sincerely appreciate the thorough examination of the present application as evidenced by the Advisory Action of July 10, 2007. In particular, the Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that Claims 1-9, 11-13, and 17 are allowed and that Claim 15 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In response, the Applicants have canceled Claim 14 and rewritten Claim 15 in independent form. Accordingly, all claims are in a condition that has been indicated to be allowable.

Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully submit that all claims are patentable, and a Notice Of Allowance is respectfully requested in due course. No new issues have been raised because the amendments have been to rewrite Claim 15 in independent form and to cancel Claim 14. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 919-854-1400 for resolution of any additional outstanding issues.

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